"O MY FATHER I AM READY SEND ME ON THIS GRACIOUS ERRAND"

UNCAS, SON OF THE AGED CHINGACHGOOK THUS ANNOUNCED TO HIS TRIBE, THE DELAWARES, THAT HE WAS READY TO GO FORTH AND HELP HIS PEOPLE, EVEN AT THE COST OF HIS OWN LIFE. YOU, TOO, IN A DIFFERENT MANNER HAVE SERVED THOSE ABOUT YOU, AND BECAUSE OF THIS THEY HAVE SEEN FIT TO ELECT YOU TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORDER OF THE ARROW WHICH IS THE LANGUAGE OF THE LENNI LENAPI INDIANS IS TERMED WIMACHTENDIENK W.W.

OWASIPPE LODGE WELCOMES

GEORGE LAWS

TO ITS MIDST, AND GREETS YOU WITH THE MESSAGE THE AGED CHIEF GAVE HIS SON -

"FOR HE WHO SERVES HIS FELLOWS IS,
- OF ALL HIS FELLOWS, GREATEST"

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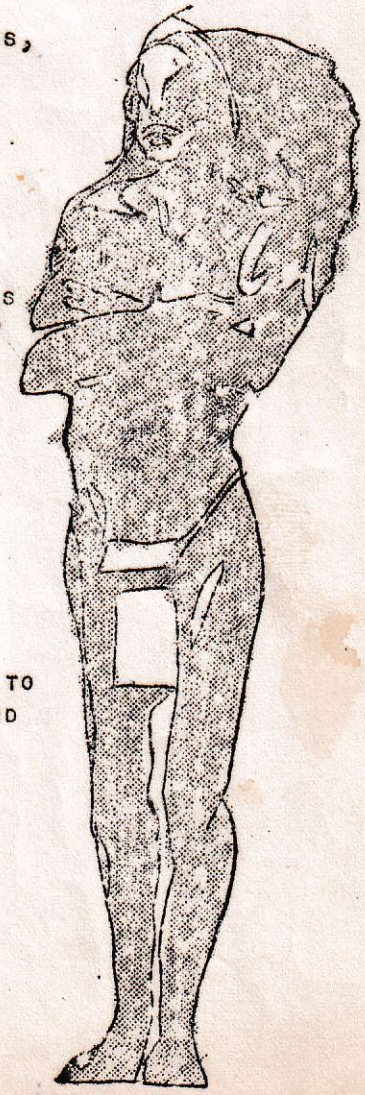
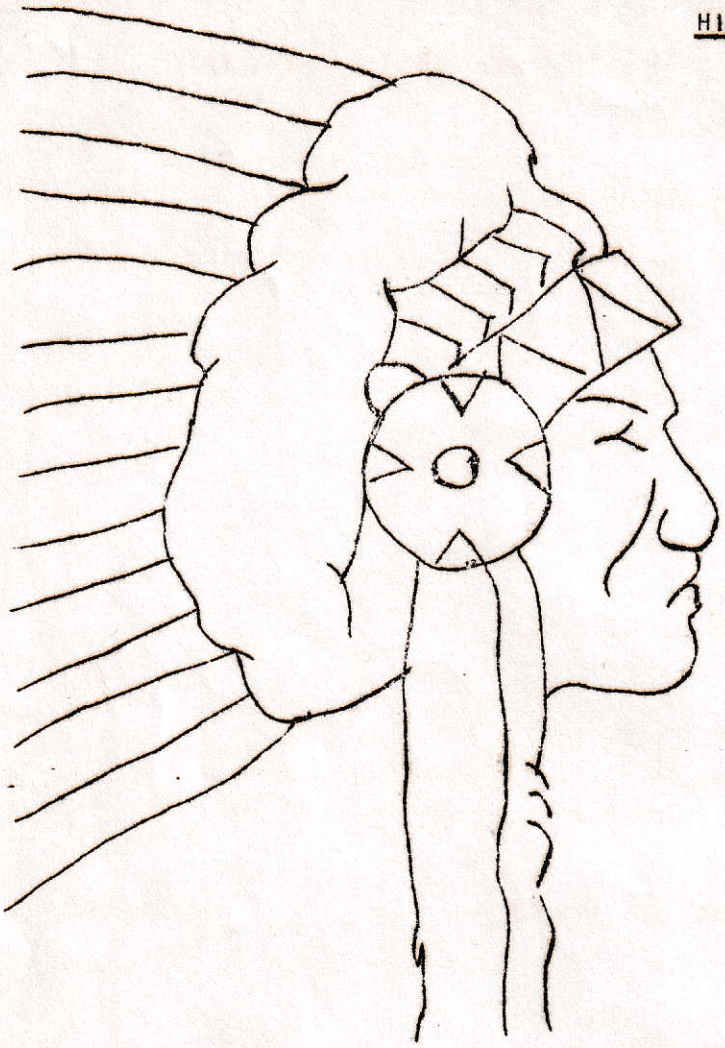
WE ARE PROUD OF OUR ORGANIZATION, - IT IS A LIVING GROUP. ITS LIFE IS ASSURED AND ITS IDEALS WILL SURVIVE JUST SO LONG AS INDIVIDUALS SUCH AS YOURSELF BECOME VITALLY INTERESTED IN CARRYING OUT WHAT SO MANY BEFORE YOU HAVE UNDERTAKEN .... TO RENDER "UNSELFISH SERVICE TO OTHERS".



AS A MEMBER OF THE ORDER YOU WILL WANT TO KNOW SOMETHING OF ITS AIMS, POLICIES AND HISTORY.

HISTORY



OUR LEGEND BEGINS:

"YEARS AGO, IN THE DIM AGES,
IN THE VALLEY OF THE DELAWARE"

AND CARRIES ON TO TELL THE STORY OF THE BANDING TOGETHER OF THE LENNI LENAPE TO PERPETUATE AND TO CARRY ON THE TRADITION OF SERVICE THEY HAD BEGUN BY SAVING THEIR OWN TRIBE FROM EXTINCTION.

THE DIRECTORS OF TREASURE ISLAND, THE PHILADELPHIA SCOUT CAMP, SEARCHED FOR SOME MEANS OF RECOGNIZING THE SCOUTS WHO STOOD OUT IN THEIR EXEMPLICATION OF THE SCOUT OATH AND LAW, AND IN THE OLD LEGEND THEY FOUND THE ANSWER TO THEIR NEEDS. IN 1915, IN THAT SAME DELAWARE VALLEY, BECAUSE THEY WERE "UNSELFISH IN SERVICE TO OTHERS" A SELECTED GROUP OF SCOUTS WERE BANDED TOGETHER IN A REBIRTH OF THE ORGANIZATION CHINGACHGOOK HAD FOUNDED SO MANY YEARS BEFORE. THUS, WE WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE ORDER, ARE THE PRESENT-DAY LINK "IN A GREAT AND MYSTIC ORDER".

THE ORDER HAS SO FULLY CARRIED OUT ITS PURPOSE THAT MORE THAN SIXTY SCOUT COUNCILS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY HAVE LODGES. NO ONE HAS GONE ABOUT PROMOTING THE ORGANIZATION OF LODGES, THEY HAVE GROWN OUT OF THE ADVERTISING THEIR OWN GOOD WORK HAS PRODUCED. THE WORDS OF UNCAS HAVE SPREAD FROM THE MOTHER LODGE, UNAMI, IN PHILADELPHIA THROUGHOUT THE EAST, MIGRATED TO THE MIDDLE WEST AND THEN INTO THE NORTH AND SOUTHWEST; TEXAS AND MINNESOTA EACH BOAST OF THREE LODGES, NEW MEXICO, ALABAMA, NORTH CAROLINA AND THE STATES IMMEDIATELY AROUND ILLINOIS HAVE NUMEROUS ACTIVE LODGES. APPROXIMATELY ONE THIRD OF THE STATES OF THE UNION TODAY BEAR WITNESS TO CHINGACHGOOD'S WORDS,

"..... SEED DROPPED BY THE SOWER
ON GOOD SOIL BEARS QUICK FRUITATION"

OUR FULL NAME IS, ORDER OF THE ARROW, WIMACHTENDIENK W.W., THOUGH COMMONLY IT IS TERMED THE "ORDER OF THE ARROW.

THE WORLD WAR TEMPORARILY INTERFERED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ORDER, BUT THE PROGRESSIVENESS OF OUR FOUNDERS OUT-WEIGHED THE LOSS OF TIME. PERHAPS YOU RECALL THIS FROM OUR LEGEND:

"SPRINGTIME BLOSSOMED INTO SUMMER,
SUMMER INTO AUTUMN RIPENED
AUTUMN DIED ON WINTER'S BOSUM."

AND THUS, AS THE YEARS ROLLED ON, OUR ORDER GAINED IN STRENGTH.

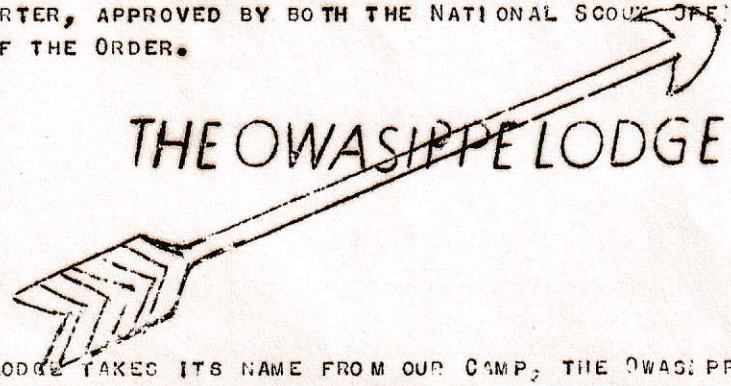
HERE'S A BRIEF RESUME OF THE MORE IMPORTANT YEARS:

1921: NATIONAL LODGE, OUR GOVERNING BODY, CREATED.
AT FIRST THE NATIONAL LODGE MET ANNUALLY, LATER CHANGING TO BI-ENNIALLY.

1929: NATIONAL LODGE DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING OFFICIAL RECOGNITION FROM THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, B.S.A.

1933: AT OWASIPPE, NECESSARY CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS MADE TO OBTAIN DESIRED NATIONAL RECOGNITION.

1934: RECOGNITION OBTAINED. WIMACHTENDIENK IS NOW OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED AS PART OF THE SENIOR PROGRAM, FOR OLDER SCOUTS. EACH YEAR EVERY CHAPTER MUST SECURE A NEW CHARTER, APPROVED BY BOTH THE NATIONAL SCOUT OFFICE AND THE NATIONAL LODGE OF THE ORDER.



THE OWASIPPE LODGE TAKES ITS NAME FROM OUR CAMP, THE OWASIPPE SCOUT CAMPS, NAMED AFTER THE GREAT INDIAN CHIEFTAIN OF THE POTTAWOTAMIE TRIBE. THE LEGEND OF OWASIPPE AND HIS TWO SONS IS PART OF OUR TRADITION, INSEPARABLY WOVEN INTO THE HISTORY OF OUR CAMPS. YOU WILL RECALL HOW HIS SONS WENT OFF TO ACHIEVE THE STATUS OF "BRAVE". YOU TOO, WERE SENT ON A PERIOD OF TESTING, AND THAT YOU ARE NOW WITH US PROVES YOU SUCCEEDED.

THE CHAPTERS

EACH DISTRICT HAS A CHAPTER TO WHICH THE SCOUTS FROM THAT SECTION OF THE CITY BELONG:

DISTRICT	CHAPTER	TOTEM
NORTH SHORE	WAKAY	RACCOON
SOUTH SHORE	MOQUA	BEAR
SOUTH WEST	GARRISON	BLOCKHOUSE
WEST SIDE	BLACKHAWK	INDIAN HEAD
NORTH WEST	CHECAUGAU	FOX
DOUGLAS	TAKODAH	MOOSE

HONORS

OUR ORDER IS UNIQUE IN THAT ITS MEMBERS ARE ELECTED BY THOSE OUTSIDE ITS RANKS, THE ONLY VOTE TAKEN BY MEMBERS HAS TO DO WITH THE WAY THE CANDIDATE FULFILLS THE ORDEAL.

THERE ARE THREE HONORS WHICH MAY BE CONFERRED ON MEMBERS OF THE ORDER.

THE FIRST HONOR IS CALLED THE "ORDEAL HONOR". THIS IS GIVEN TO THOSE CAMPERS WHO, IN THE JUDGEMENT OF THEIR FELLOW-CAMPERS, BEST EXEMPLIFY THE SPIRIT OF THE SCOUT OATH AND LAW. YOU RECALL THAT YOU WERE RECEIVED WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WAS "NOT SO MUCH FOR WHAT YOU HAVE DONE, AS FOR WHAT YOU ARE EXPECTED TO DO". THE DERIVATION OF THE NAME OF THE HONOR IS EASY TO UNDERSTAND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE JUST BECOME MEMBERS.

THE SECOND IS KNOWN AS THE "BROTHERHOOD HONOR". AT LEAST A YEAR ELAPSES BEFORE ELIGIBILITY FOR THIS DEGREE. BUT DURING THAT YEAR IT IS NECESSARY TO PROVE THAT YOU

HAVE ABSORBED AND PRACTICED THE OBLIGATION YOU TOOK. HERE YOU MUST SHOW "BROTHERHOOD" IN ORDER TO GAIN THE HONOR. HERE ARE THE QUESTIONS YOU SHOULD CONSTANTLY KEEP BEFORE YOU, TO JUDGE YOUR OWN FITNESS FOR FURTHER ADVANCEMENT IN THE ORDER:

YOUR TROOP

ARE YOU DOING ALL WITHIN YOUR POWER TO ASSIST YOUR TROOP? IF YOU HAVE A POSITION THAT CARRIES RESPONSIBILITY, DO YOU GIVE YOUR BEST SERVICE? IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF A PATROL, ARE YOU HELPING THAT PATROL TO GROW AND BE ACTIVE? WHAT OTHER SERVICE CAN YOU RENDER YOUR TROOP IN COOPERATION WITH ITS LEADERSHIP?

THE ARROW

DO YOU LEND A HAND IN ORDER WORK IN YOUR CHAPTER SUCH AS YOUR TIME AND ABILITY WILL PERMIT?

CAMP

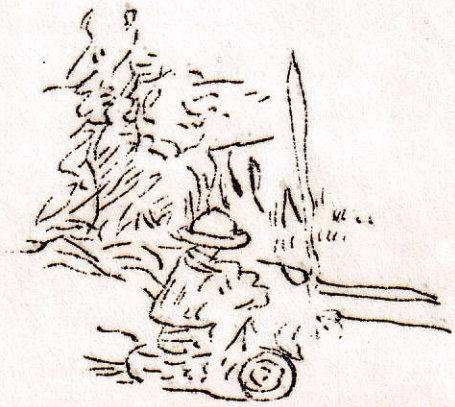
IS THERE SOME SERVICE TO THE CAMP YOU CAN GIVE... SOMETHING TO IMPROVE THE PHYSICAL APPEARANCE OR THE SPIRIT OF CAMP, TO ADD TO ITS ATTRACTIVENESS, AND THE NEXT FELLOW'S ENJOYMENT? CAN YOU HELP WITH THE CAMP PROMOTION CAMPAIGN IN YOUR TROOP? TO CONDUCT SOME ACTIVITY OF THE CHAPTER? TO DO SOME SMALL SERVICE AT A MEETING?

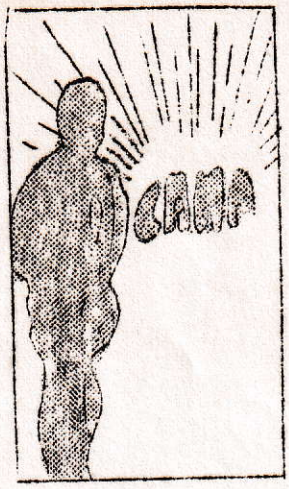
JUDGE YOURSELF ... DO YOU DO THESE THINGS CHEERFULLY? JUDGE YOURSELF HONESTLY AND FEARLESSLY THROUGH THE YEARS. ARE YOU BEING A SCOUT AND A BROTHER IN THE SENSE OF THE ARROW UNDERSTANDING OF THESE TERMS?

TROOPS HAVE BEEN SAVED, CHAPTERS HAVE GAINED NEW LIFE BECAUSE MEMBERS OF THE ORDER HAVE FULFILLED THEIR OBLIGATION TO SERVE OTHERS UNSELFISHLY.

THE THIRD AND HIGHEST IS THE "VIGIL HONOR". THIS IS RESERVED FOR THOSE BROTHERS WHO HAVE LONG AND OUTSTANDINGLY SERVED SCOUTING, THE CAMPS AND THE ORDER TO AN UNUSUAL DEGREE. WHILE THE ORDEAL AND BROTHERHOOD HONORS ARE SELECTED WITHIN EACH CHAPTER, IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE VIGIL HONOR A MEMBER'S RECORD MUST BE APPROVED BY THE CHAPTER, THE OWASIPPE LODGE, AND THE NATIONAL LODGE.

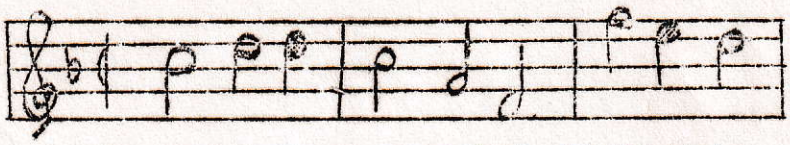
THE ORDEAL HONOR IS GIVEN ONCE EACH PERIOD AT OWASIPPE, THE BROTHERHOOD HONOR IS GIVEN IN THE CITY ONCE OR TWICE EACH YEAR AT THE DISCRETION OF EACH CHAPTER. THE VIGIL HONOR IS GIVEN AT CAMP ONCE EACH YEAR.





SERVICE

EACH YEAR WE TAKE A LEADING PART IN THE CAMP PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGN, DOING OUR SHARE FOR CAMP THAT HAS GIVEN US SUCH WONDERFUL TIMES. THE OWASIPPE SCHOLARSHIP FUND IS RAISED BY INDIVIDUAL CHAPTERS AND IS USED TO HELP GIVE BOYS, WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN TO OWASIPPE, AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GOOD TIMES WE HAVE ENJOYED.



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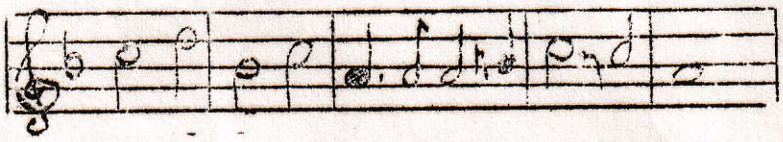

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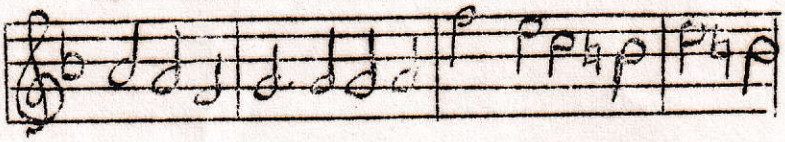

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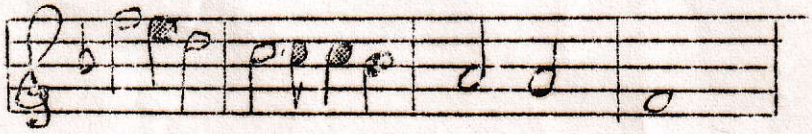

BINDS US IN BROTHER-HOOD, WI-MACH-TEN-DIENK.

ORDER INSIGNIA

YOU CAN SECURE THE ORDER INSIGNIA AT THE CAMP TRADING POST DURING THE SUMMER, OR IN THE CAMP DEPARTMENT OF THE CHICAGO COUNCIL OFFICE, 9 W. WASHINGTON STREET, THROUGHOUT THE REST OF THE YEAR.

ORDEAL PIN - 25¢; BROTHERHOOD PIN (FOR MEMBERS OF THE HONOR), BEARING CHAPTER TOTEM VARIES IN PRICE: - WAKAY, $1.20; CHECAUGAU, $2.50; BLACKHAWK, $3.25; GARRISON, $1.00; MOQUA, $1.00. TAKODAH CHAPTER IS NOW WORKING ON THE DESIGN FOR ITS BROTHERHOOD PIN.

THE SASH MAY BE WORN BY BOTH THE MEMBERS OF THE ORDEAL AND BROTHERHOOD HONORS, BEING PRICED AT 25¢. WEAR IT, POINT UPWARDS, OVER YOUR RIGHT SHOULDER, FOR ORDEAL HONOR. FOR BROTHERHOOD HONOR, OVER YOUR LEFT SHOULDER. SASH FOR VIGIL HONOR IS 75¢. SASHES SHOULD BE WORN AT ALL ORDER AFFAIRS.